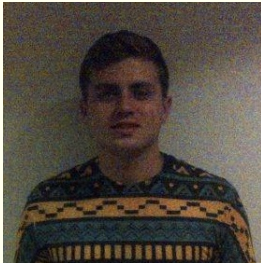


U.S.VETS Newsletter - June 2014

Meet a Veteran



James
U.S. VETS - Phoenix

I served in the Army active duty from 2009-2011, with the National Guard from 2011 - 2012, and had one tour in Afghanistan. After coming home I was living with my brother, who also served in the Army and completed a tour in Iraq.

I was having trouble finding employment, so I started using drugs and drinking. I decided I didn't want to waste my life...

[Read James's story](#)

Here's what we've been up to lately:



Answering the Call: Putting Veterans Back to Work

As U.S.VETS prepares to open a one-stop service center for veterans in downtown LA's recently renovated Patriotic Hall, Activision's Call of Duty Endowment has awarded a \$500,000 grant to support programs that help put veterans back to work.

The Call of Duty Endowment chose to support U.S.VETS programs, citing "a remarkable retention and placement track record working with a population of largely homeless veterans."

At Patriotic Hall, will offering housing, medical, legal and other services, in addition to employment, to the large veteran population in Los Angeles County. U.S.VETS has been designated by the county as the building's lead agency.

[Learn more...](#)

Recent News

Chipping In for Vets

U.S.VETS supporters dusted off their clubs and came out to two golf tournaments this month to benefit veterans in our programs.

U.S.VETS - Barbers Point held the 2nd annual "No Vet Left Behind" tournament, and the Prism Patriot Invitational raised funds for U.S.VETS - St. Louis.

Thank you to all the participants and sponsors for

your help with these two amazing events!

U.S.VETS Clients Pay It Forward

This month, clients from the Veterans in Progress (VIP) program at U.S.VETS - Phoenix joined a coalition of volunteers to help the St. Mary's Food Bank provide meals to local senior citizens.

[Read more...](#)

Upcoming Events

Veteran Achievement & Partner Recognition Ceremony

July 25

U.S.VETS - Las Vegas will honor veterans graduating from the VIP program.

[Click here for more info](#)

U.S.VETS - Long Beach Graduation Celebration

August 22

Join us as we congratulate graduates from all of our programs with this special event.

[Click here for more info](#)

Visit the [Events Calendar](#) to see all upcoming events and find ways to get involved with the U.S.VETS in your community!

Steve Peck Honored by LA Business Journal

President & CEO Steve Peck was an honoree for the 2014 LA Business Journal Nonprofit & Corporate Citizenship Awards on June 25.

Steve was honored in the Leadership Excellence category for his work at the helm of U.S.VETS, which is headquartered in Los Angeles - where 6,000 veterans sleep on the street every night. Steve is instrumental in leading the conversation about veteran homelessness into action, in LA and across the country.



Healing Invisible Wounds: U.S.VETS Receives \$200,000 for Mental Health Counseling



The Texas Veterans Commission has awarded U.S.VETS - Houston with \$200,000 to provide mental health counseling to veterans.

Individual and group counseling can be hugely beneficial to veterans who are navigating the difficult transition between military and civilian life. With this new grant, U.S.VETS - Houston will be able to hire two new full-time counselors to help vets as they work to meet their goals of employment, stable housing and independence.

[Learn more...](#)

Make a Donation

The services U.S.VETS provides to veterans are made possible through generous contributions. To help a veteran successfully transition back to civilian life, please make a donation today.

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